

LIST OF TOWING / HEAVY EQUIPMENT COMPANIES CONTACTED FOR BLOCKADE ASSISTANCE

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On January 31, 2022, 2 towing companies attended a staging area near the blockade, and were on standby for towing services. They committed to returning the following day to again provide services for blockade vehicle removal.

On February 1, 2022, all of the companies that agreed to attend the scene advised they would not be attending to provide service.

As a result of losing this service, contact was made with the companies listed in this document in an attempt to secure towing and / or crane services to assist the RCMP with semi truck removal from the blockade on Highway 4 near the Port of Coumts, Alberta.

All of the companies with semi truck towing capability in Alberta that have been contacted have refused to provide service, with the majority citing the reason being they didn't want to be involved in dealing with the blockade. Some companies had single employees that wished to assist, however, their request was either denied by their managers or their drivers refused to go. One company received an anonymous cash donation from a blockade supporter, as the companies that normally contract for the RCMP are publicly known. Social media backlash toward these companies has become common, and some have contained veiled threats.

We have reached out to numerous companies in BC and Saskatchewan, however, they are not available to travel or are not interested in providing service due to not wanting to get involved in the situation.

COMPANY	LOCATION	PHONE	REASON FOR REFUSAL
Personal Info.			Unwilling
			Busy with collisions
			Busy / driver shortage
			No drivers
			Unwilling / poor optics
			Will not assist
			Seeking permission
			Unavailable
			Unwilling to assist
			No longer in service
			No equipment
			Unable to assist
			Not in service
			Refusal / fear of backlash

Personal Info.	No response
	REASON FOR REFUSAL
	Unwilling to assist
	Refusal, advised crane will not work due to
	Refusal
	Refusal
	Reluctant, not willing to commit
	Refusal
	Refusal
	Refusal
	Refusal
	Refusal
	Refusal
	Refusal
	Refusal
	Refusal
	Not interested
	Unable to help
	Too busy with storm, concerned about backlash
	Refusal

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